

**RESEARCH PAPER INSTRUCTION SHEET**  
**ENGLISH II/SEMESTER 1**  
**COMPOSITION AND GRAMMAR**  
**TEXTBOOK: WRITER'S CHOICE GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION**  
**(ORANGE COVER)**

- Use a minimum of three sources of information, including: one book minimum, one Internet article minimum, and one other source minimum (i.e. book, periodical, internet article, video, interview, radio show, etc.)
- Do not use an encyclopedia or internet Wikipedia as a resource.
- Give credit to the writers whose facts or ideas you are using, by parenthetical citation:

The United States will collapse by 1980 (Leary 3).

Timothy Leary said in an interview with *Rolling Stone Magazine*, that the United States would collapse by 1980.

Timothy Leary said, "The United States will collapse by 1980."

- Your research paper must be a minimum of four pages in length. The rough draft must be hand-written. Final copy must be typed in 12-point size, Times New Roman font, and double-spaced.
- Your entire research paper must follow MLA format (refer to enclosed *MLA Citation in a Nutshell* sheet).
- Your research paper must include a title page, outline, body of the report (four minimum pages), and a works cited page (bibliography).
- Refer to the enclosed samples: title page, works cited (MLA format).
- Refer to page 321 of your textbook for a sample outline.
- Final copy must be stapled in the left hand corner.
- All drafts must be turned in via order of presentation, with the final copy on top.